

Amendments to the claims (this listing replaces all prior versions):

1. (currently amended) An audio system including a plurality of channels intended to be radiated in a predetermined positional relationship to the listener, comprising:

a listening area, comprising a plurality of listening spaces;

a directional audio device, positioned in a first of said listening spaces, close to a head of a listener, for radiating first sound waves corresponding to components of ~~one region for receiving the~~ a first of said channels; and

a nondirectional audio device, positioned inside said listening area and outside said first of said listening spaces ~~space~~, distant from said first of said listening spaces ~~space~~, for radiating sound waves corresponding to components of a second of said channels.
2. (currently amended) An audio system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said directional audio device ~~devices~~ comprises ~~comprise~~ a plurality of acoustic drivers, said acoustic drivers positioned and arranged to radiate sound waves that interfere destructively at a first predetermined location in space and to interfere nondestructively at a second predetermined location in space.
3. (original) An audio system in accordance with claim 2, wherein said first predetermined location is in a first listening space and said second predetermined location is in a second listening space.
4. (original) An audio system in accordance with claim 2, wherein said first predetermined location is proximate a first volume for receiving a first ear of a listener and wherein said second predetermined location is proximate a second volume for receiving a second ear of said listener.

5. (original) An audio system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said listening area comprises a theater and said first and second listening spaces comprise seating locations within said theater.
6. (original) An audio system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said listening area comprises a vehicle passenger compartment and said listening locations comprise seating locations within said vehicle passenger compartment
7. (original) A method for operating an audio system for radiating sound into a first listening space and a second listening space, said first listening space adjacent said second listening space, comprising:

receiving first audio signals;

transmitting first audio signals to a first transducer;

transducing, by said first transducer, said first audio signals into first sound waves corresponding to said first audio signals;

radiating said first sound waves into a first listening space;

processing said first audio signals to provide delayed first audio signals, wherein said processing comprises at least one of time delaying said audio signals and phase shifting said audio signals;

transmitting said delayed first audio signals to a second transducer;

transducing, by said second transducer, said delayed first audio signals into second sound waves corresponding to said delayed first audio signals; and

radiating said second sound waves into said second listening space.
- 8-15. (canceled).
16. (original) A method for radiating audio signals comprising:

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radiating sound waves corresponding to first audio signals directionally to a first listening space;

radiating sound waves corresponding to second audio signals directionally to a second listening space; and

radiating sound waves corresponding to third audio signals nondirectionally to said first listening space and said second listening space.

17-41. (canceled).